

## IN THE CLAIMS

1 1. (currently amended) A hole former for a manhole with an invert comprising:  
2 an invert mold having an invert pipe portion with a tube aligned on the central axis of  
3 the invert pipe portion,  
4 a hole former having an alignment member with an aperture along the length of the  
5 central axis ~~of~~ through the alignment member,  
6 a bar for inserting in the aperture of the alignment member and the invert mold tube  
7 for aligning the hole former with the invert mold.

1 2.(original) A hole former for a manhole with an invert as in claim 1 wherein,  
2 the alignment member and hole former are integral.

1 3. (currently amended) A hole former for a manhole with an invert as in claim 1  
2 wherein,  
3 the alignment member and hole former are aligned by a female portion on the hole  
4 former mating with a male portion on ~~the~~ a spacer.

1 4. (currently amended) A hole former for a manhole with an invert as in claim 3  
2 wherein,  
3 a threaded portion of the bar engages a threaded portion of the tube to secure the hole  
4 former to the invert mold.

1 5. (currently amended) A hole former for a manhole with an invert as in claim 1  
2 wherein,

- 1        the alignment member has a spacer portion for ~~extending~~ displacing the hole former
- 2    ~~to~~ from the invert mold pipe portion and mating therewith.